

## House Resolution No. 228

**Whereas**, John Sommer of Independence has attained considerable distinction as an attorney and as a community volunteer; and

**Whereas**, after moving from Raytown to Independence in 1996, John Sommer established a law office at a Highway 40 address and promptly joined the Independence Chamber of Commerce; and

**Whereas**, two years later, John Sommer became a much more active member of the Independence Chamber of Commerce that he now serves in such capacities as cochairman of the Ambassadors Committee, which helps members use their membership effectively; member of the Santa-Cali-Gon Board of Directors, which organizes and sets up the Chamber's largest fund-raising event of the year; and member of the Steering Committee for the Leadership, Education, Action, Development class commonly known as LEAD, which is designed to help members learn about the community and the businesses in it; and

**Whereas**, John Sommer is also associated with the Independence Community Christmas Concert, which he helps to organize and to which he donates lights and other supplies; and

**Whereas**, known for his gentleness, sense of humor, honesty, and warmth, John Sommer merits recognition of his Board membership with the Independence Rotary Club, which is a group of service-oriented business people who financially support charitable organizations, such worthwhile national efforts as the fight to eradicate polio, and a variety of local projects; and

**Whereas**, John Sommer is a loving family man who finds in his marriage to Jackie true love and unparalleled support:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the community-oriented service and leadership so generously given by John Sommer down through the years and to convey to him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his work as a tireless volunteer and as a successful attorney; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John Sommer of Independence, Missouri.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Paul LeVota  
District No. 52

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 228, adopted January 28, 2004.

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Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker